

Order of Service

St. James United Church

10:30 am, SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026

*Pentecost 3
Picnic Sunday
Indigenous Day of Prayer*

Welcome!

*We are glad you have joined us in worship.
May you feel the warmth of God's presence.*

Our Mission:

To live God's love through our actions: Seek, Serve, Challenge.

GATHERING

Bold indicates words said by All

❖ Indicates when one may stand in body or spirit

PRELUDE	Festival Prelude on Ein' Feste Burg By William Faulkes	Adrian Marchuk - organ
GATHERING SONG	Soil of God, You and I	MV 174
LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT		
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Alex Grant-Henderson
CHRIST CANDLE LIGHTING		
INVITATION TO WORSHIP & OPENING PRAYER		
❖ GATHERING HYMN	For the Fruit of All Creation	VU 227
PASSING OF THE PEACE	This Is the Day	VU 412 v.1
TIME WITH THE YOUNGER GENERATION / SUNDAY SCHOOL PRESENTATION		
CHILDREN'S SONG	I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me	VU 575
THE PRAYER OF JESUS (SUNG)		
CHILDREN'S RECESSIONAL	This Little Light of Mine	

DISCERNING

SCRIPTURE READING	Genesis 21:1-7	Alex Grant-Henderson
ANTHEM	Use Me Lord Don Besig and Nancy Price	Senior Choir
FAITH TALK	“Living in gratitude”	Rev. Richard C. Choe

RESPONDING

❖ HYMN OF RESPONSE	I Feel the Winds of God	VU 625
CALL FOR OFFERING		
SONG OF THANKS	With God All Things Are Possible/ Fight Song By Gospel Chants and Rachel Platten	Adrian Marchuk
❖ OFFERTORY RESPONSE	Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow	VU 541
❖ OFFERTORY PRAYER		
PASTORAL PRAYER		
SUNG RESPONSE	Where Two or Three Are Gathered	MV 14
❖ CLOSING HYMN	Go, Make a Difference	MV 209

SCATTERING

❖ BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH		
❖ SUNG BENEDICTION	Prayer Of Dedication	
POSTLUDE	Soil of God, You and I	Adrian Marchuk - organ

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Giving leadership in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Richard C. Choe

Presider: Alex Grant-Henderson

Music Director: Adrian Marchuk

St. James Senior Choir

Section Leads/Soloists: Phil Rogalsky, Gabe Vaillant

Reader: Alex Grant-Henderson

Sunday School Director: Karen Forgrave

Tech Support: David DeCarolis, Mary Paras

Greeters: Bob Harris, Eleanor Harris

Ushers: Tony Gray (Captain), James Ankrah, Regina Ankrah, Eileen McAuley

Hospitality: Eleanor Harris (L), Brenda Beaton, John Beaton, Randy Wilson

NEXT SERVICES:

Sunday, June 21, 2026, 10:30 AM – 4th Sunday after Pentecost.
Baptisms.
Father's Day.

Sunday, June 28, 2026, 10:30 AM – 5th Sunday after Pentecost.

Sunday, July 5, 2026, 10:30 AM – 6th Sunday after Pentecost.
Joint Worship at St. James with Richview United Church.

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each week, the Shining Waters Regional Council asks that we pray for each other's congregations in support of our ministries: Northwest Barrie United Church; Leaside United Church, Toronto; Mayfield United Church, Caledon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The picnic is TODAY, Sunday, June 14! Come in casual clothes, ready to stay for a BBQ lunch of hotdogs (regular and vegetarian available), corn-on-the-cob, drinks, cookies, and popsicles! We will eat inside at tables, and then move outside for picnic games for all ages. You may wish to bring a picnic blanket or lawn chairs to sit outside and enjoy! Friends are welcome!

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Richard and Alyssa Lindsay will be hosting A Get-Together For Shirley Kozel - Open House & Garden: Sunday July 26, 2026, 1-4 PM, at 23 Shaver Ave S, Etobicoke, ON. RSVP: <https://evite.me/3N5kgHkGcY> (not strictly required, but helps planning). Everyone is invited to join for an afternoon of stories, games, laughter, refreshments and gratitude to remember and celebrate Shirley's life and love. They encourage everyone to wear bright colours and to bring something (a memory, photo, object, snack, song, game etc.) that reminds you of Shirley.

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Our Outreach Offering will go to Sparrow Lake Camp. Until the end of June, should you wish to support Sparrow Lake Camp, please place your donation in a green and white Outreach Offering envelope. They are located on the table as you enter the sanctuary. Thank you for your support!

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Transition Team Coffee Talk: June 21, 2026 - *Revisiting Our Living Faith Story*. Please join us for our last discussion before summer. We will continue to look at our faith story in our process for our search of our minister. The topic will be Outreach/Social Justice.

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The United Church of Canada invites you to join us this Toronto Pride! 🏳️‍🌈❤️

We will have a booth in the streetcar Friday, June 26 through Sunday, June 28 offering glitter blessings, prayers, and information about Affirming communities in the region. We will also be marching as a cohort in the Pride Parade (Sunday). We are inviting all who are willing and able to come and march with us! Precise information about our meeting place is still being determined by Toronto Pride, so keep posted for those. If anyone in your community would like to volunteer some time at our UCC booth, please let us know and we can send along the sign up sheet.

To learn more about Toronto Pride, go here: www.pridetoronto.com

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HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN July: St. James will be hosting the joint summer services with Richview United Church for the Sundays in July. Please let Eleanor Harris know if you could help prepare and serve cold beverages & cookies after any of the services on July 5, July 12, July 19, and July 26. Please sign the volunteer list in the front hallway or call Eleanor at 416-234-1365, or email b_eharris@hotmail.com).

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Ingrid Robinson would very much appreciate rides to church on Sundays as she no longer has her car. She lives at Parkland, 4650 Eglinton Ave, W. If anyone can help, she can be contacted at 647-561-9599, or through Lindy O'Conner at 416-621-8386. Thank you.

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Camping Season is open. Ryde Lake Camp is for girls 8-16 years old. If interested, please call Marg Arscott at 416-622-5952.

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We are pleased to announce that hands on Reiki is available by donation on Monday afternoons from 1-3 pm, as well as Tuesday nights at 7 pm. Sign-up sheets are in the binder in the Well-Being waiting room or call the office at 416-622-4113 and book with Matty.

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Our June Euchre date is: Tuesday, June 23 at 1:30 pm. Cost is \$5. All are welcome.

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Yoga: Wednesdays from 11am - 12noon, \$25/class for drop in.

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Yoga Saturdays: Drop in cost is \$25/class. Yogis of all ability or experience are welcome! Please contact Joyce Wilson at joy.wil31@gmail.com if you would like more information.

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Stewardship Second: Give joyfully, give gratefully, give without boasting.

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